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1. WE SHARE MISSION'S CONCERN OVER CHALLENGE IN FIFTH COMMITTEE TO TRADITIONAL REPRESENTATION OF PERMANENT MEMBERS ON SUBSIDIARY BODIES OF UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY. WE BELIEVE THIS EFFORT SHOULD BE VIGOROUSLY RESISTED. COMPOSITION OF COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCES IS GOOD ISSUE ON WHICH TO TAKE STAND BECAUSE OUR INTEREST IN COMMITTEE AND EXPECTATIONS FOR SUCCESS ARE TEPID AT BEST.

2. OUR DEEPEST INTEREST IS, OF COURSE, PRESERVATION OF AN AUTOMATIC SEAT FOR UNITED STATES ON EVERY SUBSIDIARY COMMITTEE ON WHICH WE WISH TO BE REPRESENTED. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE VIEW POSITION OF ADHERING TO TRADITION OF AUTOMATICALLY PROVIDING REPRESENTATION TO PERMANENT MEMBERS OF SECURITY COUNCIL AS OUR FIRST LINE OF DEFENSE.
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ACCORDINGLY, WE AGREE THAT MISSION SHOULD DISCUSS ISSUE

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WITH BRITISH AND FRENCH AND AT YOUR DISCRETION U.S.S.R. AND P.R.C. AND ASSURE THEM OF OUR SUPPORT FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF THIS TRADITIONAL PREROGATIVE OF PERMANENT MEMBERS. YOU SHOULD ENCOURAGE BRITISH AND FRENCH TO TAKE THE LEAD IN DEFENDING RETENTION OF THIS PRACTICE.

3. UNITED STATES IS ALSO INTERESTED IN LARGEST REPRESENTATION OF WEOS BECAUSE U.S. IN PRACTICE SURE TO BE REGARDED BY LDCS AS WEO. IN ADDITION TO BRITISH AND FRENCH INTEREST, WE ARE AWARE OF INTEREST OF F.R.G., CANADA, NETHERLANDS, AND OTHER ACTIVE WEO MEMBERS IN APPROPRIATE REPRESENTATION ON GA SUBSIDIARY BODIES. YOU SHOULD, THEREFORE, ENCOURAGE WEO GROUP TO DEMAND AT LEAST 6 SEATS ON A 21 MEMBER COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCES INSTEAD OF 5 (USUN 5448) ON GROUND THAT WEOS CONTRIBUTE MAJOR SHARE OF UN BUDGET AND ARE ENTITLED TO SUCH REPRESENTATION. YOU SHOULD BE PREPARED IN CONCERT WITH WEOS TO REFUSE TO PARTICIPATE ON COMMITTEE IF THESE DEMANDS ARE NOT MET. BECAUSE OUR ENTHUSIASM, AND THAT OF WEOS, FOR COMMITTEE IS NOT GREAT WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO MOUNT CREDIBLE THREAT IN THIS INSTANCE WHICH COULD HAVE TRANSFER VALUE TO OTHER MORE SERIOUS ATTEMPTS TO RESTRICT INFLUENCE OF UNITED STATES. INGERSOLL

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